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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AU "Bildgebende Systeme für die Medizinische Diagnostik,"  
Morneburg (1995), pages 684-696.

**EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

Reference AU was identified and discussed at page 1 of the present specification, and Applicants stand by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of this reference. A translation of Reference AU is not readily available to the Applicants, however, the aforementioned statements in the specification constitute a summary of its teachings.

A copy of Reference AU together with Form 1449 is submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the Reference AU. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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